I.C.P.O. Calendar

Dec 29, 2005 - Jan 06, 2006

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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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29/12/2005: Richard, GW3CWI/p, will be active December 29th from the following locations for the Summits On The Air award (SOTA) - Foel Goch summit (SOTA GW/NW-039, 611M), North Wales region, Grid Reference: SH 953423, starting 12:30 UTC; and Carnedd y Filiast summit (SOTA GW/NW-032, 669M), North Wales region, Grid Reference: SH 871446, starting 15:30 UTC. Both will be short activations on 7.030 MHz CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

29/12/2005: James, M0ZZO, plans to be QRV December 29th as MM0ZZO from Beinn Luibhean summit (SOTA GM/SS-025, 858M), Southern Scotland region, starting around 11:00 UTC and also from Beinn Ime summit (SOTA GM/SS-006, 1011M), Southern Scotland region, starting around 14:30 UTC. Activity will be weather and over indulgence dependent on 40 meter SSB, 2 meter SSB and FM, starting around 11:00 UTC. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

29/12/2005: Kaoru, JA3MCA, will operate as V73Z from Majuro Island (OC-029), Marshall Islands, December 29th to January 2nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meter SSB and CW. QSL via home call. [Tnx 425DXN]

29/12/2005: Horacio, LU4DXU, reports that his activity from January 3-8th from Marambio Base (IOTA AN-013, Antarctic Award LU-03) as LU4ZS is cancelled. Possible activity from Marambio Base will be in February 2006. Further information to follow. [Tnx IZ8CCW]

30/12/2005: Look for Wolfgang, DH3ZK/p, to be active December 30th from the following summits in Germany for the Summits On The Air award (SOTA): Bollerberg (SOTA DL/NW-045, 757M) at 08:30 UTC; Teukelberg (SOTA DL/NW-044, 749M) at 10:00 UTC; Schlossberg (SOTA DL/NW-036, 790M) at 13:00 UTC; and Hille Kopf (SOTA DL/NW-035, 801M) at 14:30 UTC, all located in the North Rhine-Westfalia region. Activity will be on 40 meter SSB and 2 meter FM. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

30/12/2005: Jean-Marie, F8CHN, will be active from Reunion Island (IOTA AF-016) as FR5EZ from December 30, 2005 until January 3, 2006 and again from January 11-17th, 2006. In the time between Jean-Marie will visit Rodrigues Island, 3B9. QSL via F8CHN. [Tnx DXNL]

30/12/2005: Richard, GW3CWI/p, will be active December 30th from the following locations for the Summits On The Air award (SOTA) - Cyrniau Nod summit (SOTA GW/NW-034, 667M), North Wales region, Grid Reference: SH 988279, starting 11:30 UTC; and Arenig Fach summit (SOTA GW/NW-027, 689M), North Wales region, Grid Reference: SH 821416, starting 15:00 UTC. Both will be short activations on 7.030 MHz CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

30/12/2005: James, M0ZZO, plans to be QRV December 30th as MM0ZZO from Beinn an Lochain summit (SOTA GM/SS-018, 901M), Southern Scotland region. Activity will be weather and over indulgence dependent on 40

meter SSB, 2 meter SSB and FM, starting around 11:00 UTC. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

31/12/2005: Roger, MW0IDX/p, plans to be active December 31st from the following summits in Wales for the Summits On The Air award (SOTA): Glasgwm (SOTA GW/NW-015, 779M) at 12:00 UTC; and Aran Fawddwy (SOTA GW/NW-007, 905M) at 14:30 UTC, both located in the North Wales region. Activity will be on 7.030 and 10.116 MHz CW only. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

31/12/2005: Jerry, N9GGO, and his xyl Kathy, KC9HIF, will be active from Amelia Island (IOTA NA-138, FL-032S, Nassau county), Florida, between December 31, 2005 and January 2, 2006. Activity will be during the hours ranging 12:30 UTC (7:30 AM EST) until 16:00 UTC (11:00 AM EST) on 20 meter SSB 14.260 plus or minus QRM and Nets. QSL via N9GGO (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

31/12/2005: Don NC6A/KH6 (ARLHS member #1206) will be at the Kaunakakai Range Front lighthouse (ARLHS HAW-028) on December 24th and December 31st at 17:00 UTC. Frequency will around 14270 or 21370 kHz depending on conditions. Please QSL direct to home call with sase. [Tnx NC6A/KH6]

31/12/2005: Vincenzo, IZ0FKE, will be active as OH0/IZ0FKE from the Aland Islands (IOTA EU-002) from December 31st to January 4th. He will be guest operating from the Alandia Contest Team's station. QSL via IZ0FMA. [Tnx 425DXN]

31/12/2005: Sam, G4OHX, reports that he will be QRV from the island of Antigua between December 31, 2005 and January 13, 2006. He has not yet been given a call, but it will possibly be V25OHX. This will be a holiday style operation with activity on 30, 20 and 17 meters in his free time. QSL via home call. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/01/2006: Wolfgang, DH3ZK/p, plans to be active January 1st from the following summits in Germany for the Summits On The Air award (SOTA): Mei?ner (SOTA DL/HE-018, 754M) at 10:00 UTC; and Kalbe (SOTA DL/HE-254, 720M) at 13:00, both located in the Hesse region. Activity will be on 40 meter SSB and 2 meter SSB. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

01/01/2006: Sang Hoon Lee, DS4NMJ, will be stationed at the Korean Antarctic base "King Sejong" (HL-01 for the Antarctica Award) on King George Island, South Shetlands (IOTA AN-010) from January 1st through December 30th. He plans to operate as DT8A on 160-10 meter SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via operators' instructions. [Tnx 425DXN]

01/01/2006: Franck, F4BQO, will be active from Libreville, Gabon, as TR8FC from January 1st until May, 2006. Activity will be during his evenings starting 18:00 UTC on 14190 kHz USB and on 21020 and 24900 kHz CW. Skeds can be arranged via e-mail at F4BQO@orange.fr. QSL via F4BQO, direct (Claude Franck, 56 Rue de la Treille, 95490 Vaureal, France) or through the bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

02/01/2006: Kan, AB2RF, will be active from the island of Jamaica (IOTA NA-097) as 6Y5/AB2RF January 2-4th. Activity will be focused on the low bands and the digital modes. QSL via AB2RF, direct or bureau. [Tnx OPDX]

02/01/2006: Operators JI2ZLM and JF0BPT will be active as homecall/2 from Shino Island (IOTA AS-117, JIIA AS-117-008), JA2 Aichi Prefecture Honshu's Coastal Islands Group, January 2-3rd. QSL to their home calls,

direct or by the bureau. [Tnx OPDX]

02/01/2006: RA6LMF, RW6MF and UA6LP will be active January 2-3rd as homecall from the Vtoroy Stvorny Rear (Azov-Don canal) lighthouse (RLHA RLE-029, ARLHS ERU-137), located in the Azovsky area (RDA RO-24). QSL 100% by the log. [Tnx RX3RC]

02/01/2006: Fred, WA1ZIC, will be active as WA1ZIC/1 from Goat Island (IOTA NA-031, USI RI-003S, Newport county), Rhode Island on January 2nd and 3rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, depending on propagation. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

02/01/2006: The Irish Radio Transmitters Society is holding its 80m Irish Counties Contest on Monday 2 January 2006. The event takes place on the Bank Holiday following New Years Day and, according to the organisers, should be a good opportunity to relax after the festivities. The contest will run from 1200UTC to 1500UTC and all of the rarer EI and GI counties will be activated. Full rules are on the IRTS website at: http://www.irts.ie/ [Tnx GB2RS]

03/01/2006: Jean-Marie, F8CHN, will make a short trip to Rodrigues Island (IOTA AF-017) from January 3-11th. He intends to work as 3B9/FR5EZ mainly on 30 and 17 meters. QSL via F8CHN. [Tnx DXNL]

03/01/2006: Jerry, N9GGO, and his xyl Kathy, KC9HIF, will be active from Jekyll Island (IOTA NA-058, USI GA-006S, Glynn county), Georgia, January 3-7th. Activity will be during the hours ranging 12:30 UTC (7:30 AM EST) until 16:00 UTC (11:00 AM EST) on 20 meter SSB 14.260 plus or minus QRM and Nets. QSL via N9GGO (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

03/01/2006: Pavel RZ3FR, will be active January 3-6th as UE3DDX/3 from Suzdal' City (RDA VL-11, for the Russian Districts Award) and the Vjaznikovsky area (RDA VL-17), Vladimirskaya oblast (VL). QSL via RZ3FR, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

05/01/2006: Here is an update on the DXpedition to the Philippine Kalayaan Island, Spratly Islands (IOTA AS-051) which was originally scheduled to take place in the December 2005 time frame. The target dates are now January 5-19, with special call DX0A. 4F2KWT, Gil, says "Focus will be the low bands and targeting the East Coast of North America." Equipment will include FT1000MPs, kilowatt solid state amplifies, which will be powered by two Honda generators. They will have phased verticals. The team will also be QRV on the high bands, including WSJT on 6 meters EME. One of the ops will be N0NM (DU9/N0NM), Jon, a low band expert. This one is still in the development stage. [Tnx SM7AED]

05/01/2006: Richard, G3CWI/p, will be active January 5th from Bardon Hill (SOTA G/CE-004, 278M), Central England region, starting around 11:30 UTC. Activity will be on 7.030 MHz CW only. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

06/01/2006: Richard, G3CWI/p, will be active January 6th from Wendover Woods summit (SOTA G/CE-005, 267M), Central England region, starting around 14:30 UTC. Activity will be on 7.030 MHz CW only. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

26/01/2006: Kyle, WA4PGM, will be active as VP9/WA4PGM from the island of Bermuda (IOTA NA-005) January 26-30th. Activity will be on all bands. He will also participate in the CQ WW 160m CW Contest (January 28-29th) as a Single-Operator entry. QSL via home call, direct or via e-QSL and LoTW. [Tnx NG3K]

13/02/2006: Rick, N0YY, will be active as FG/N0YY from the island of Guadeloupe (IOTA NA-102, DIFO FG-001) February 13-21st, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via K9JS. [Tnx NG3K]

02/03/2006: Ken, K7ZUM, will be active as 8R1ZUM in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 4-5) from Guyana. Before the contest he will be active on 40, 20 and 15 meter RTTY using the call 8R1/K7ZUM. QSL via K7ZUM (QRZ.com). [Tnx NG3K]

04/03/2006: Al, F5VHJ, will be active as TO5A in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 4-5) from the island of Martinique (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001) as a Single-Operator/All-Band/High-Power category. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

22/03/2006: DL2VFR (Ric) and DL2SWW (Frank), plan to be QRV March 22-29th as OH1/homecall from Korpo Island (IOTA EU-096). Activity will be on 160-10m (possibly 6m), CW and SSB. QSL via home calls. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

23/07/2006: Ric, DL2VFR, plans to be active as OZ/DL2VFR from Laeso Island (IOTA EU-088, DIA NK-003 for the Danish Islands award) from July 23-30th. Activity will be HF and 6 meters, mostly CW with some SSB. He will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th). QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]
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SPECIAL EVENTS -

30/12/2005: Special event station TM5OVA will be aired by hams located in the Ardennes from December 30, 2005 to January 12, 2006, in memory of Lucien F5OVA, one of the most active Ham in the Ardennes area. HF, VHF 2m, UHF 70cm and 23cm. QSL Manager will be F0DTB G?rard (08) via bureau or direct to Brunet Gerard, 13 Rue de la Croix du Moulin, 08000 Warcq, France. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/01/2006: The members of the Amateur Radio Club Koprivnica (9A8K) will be active with the special anniversary call sign " 9A 650 C ", on the occasion of the 650 years of having status of free town, which Koprivnica got in 1356. In that time Koprivnica had the Latin name Capronсensis. Koprivnica was one of the very few towns in the Middle ages, with special privileges and grants received from king Ludovik I in 1356. The special call sign will be in use from the 1st January until the 31st December 2006. The QSL manager for this activity is Kresimir, 9A7K. One QSO with " 9A 650 C " call sign is enough to get the special "Koprivnica City Award." Everything concerning this special anniversary call sign as well concerning the Koprivnica City Award can be found on the following web page: http://www.9a7k.com

01/01/2006: Look for special event call 8J3UKB to be aired January 1st to March 31st to celebrate the opening of Kobe Airport (having the 3-letter code UKB). QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL]

01/01/2006: Look for special event call 8J5MC to be aired January 1-31st to celebrate "The birth of Mitoyo-city", Japan. QSL via JARL

bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL]

16/01/2006: Look for special event call 8J8NST to be aired January 16th to February 1st to celebrate the Winter Sports Festival in Tomakomai, Japan. QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL]

01/02/2006: Look for special event call 8J8HKT to be aired February 1-28th to celebrate the birth of Hokuto-city. QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL]

** Mark you calendar for the 28th Clipperton DX Club DX Convention, which will be held over the September 15, 16, 17 weekend next year. The event will be held in the very popular Arcachon area of France. Some of the presentations include K7C, 5H1C, A52CDX, FT5XO, 4S7PAG, MU0EXV/GU0VNK, 3Y0X and TO4Gxx just to name a few. For more details you can send an email to convention@cdxc.org or check out the CDXC Web page at http://www.cdxc.org/Conventions/2006-Arcachon/arcachon2006-f.htm

** The 57th Annual International DX Convention sponsored by the The Southern California DX Club will be held April 21, 22 and 23, 2006, at The Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center Visalia, California. Full details are available at: http://www.dxconvention.org/ [Tnx DX Notebook]

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+SILENT KEY+ Glenn, K3SWZ, reports the passing of Tim Fanus, WB3DNA, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in the early hours of December 28, 2005. Tim was 47 years old and confined to a wheel chair since his early teens. He was a DXCC Honor Roll member, QSL Manager and a long time QSL sorter for the W3 Bureau until his health would not permit him to continue. For a person with all of his physical problems, he never complained. Rest in peace, Tim! Our condolences to Tim's family and friends.
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AWARDS -

* CITIES OF RUSSIA AWARD SPECIAL ACTIVITY - The second annual special activity period for the Cities of Russia Award will be held from 1 January to 10 January 2006. Basically, any contacts made with different Russian cities during this period may be used with a GCR log extract to earn the basic 100 cities, or round up to any higher level that you hold. For example, if you already have cards from 75 cities, and are working for the 100 level, if you work 25 during the 10 day activity period, you can use them to claim the 100 level. Your application must show the contacts for which you have cards, and separately, the additional contacts made during the special activity period. The GCR of actual cards and of the log extract must be made by two licensed amateurs. The application may be sent by E-mail and the sponsor will wait until the GCR signed certification and fee is received. For your convenience, the rules of the CORA are shown below and provide all details. The website contains a complete list of eligible Russian cities, a great resource. Award manager: Arcadiy Erbaev - RZ0SB, P.o. box 1224, Irkutsk, 664033, Russia (E-mail: rz0sb@angara.ru). Further information on this award and others can be found at http://www.cora.irk.ru/en/index.html . [Tnx K1BV]

* HAPPY NEW YEAR 2006 PARTY - The Award will be issued for at least twenty QSO's/HRD's conducted on any HF and VHF+ bands from 18.00 UTC on 31.12.2005 to 18.00 UTC on 01.01.2006. The HNY 2006 Party is a meeting on the air of those hams who pass to each other greetings on the last

day of the old year and the first day of the new year. All regular data are exchanged during contacts. Please send a list of call-signs worked or heard, within thirty days to: Redakcja MK QTC, Suchacz-Zamek, ul. Wielmo?y 5b, 82-340 Tolkmicko; e-mail: qtc@post.pl . A special Award will be mailed to the participants who send 5?. Results in the form of the list of HNY 2006 Party participants will be published in the February issue of the MK QTC magazine and printed on the back of the Award. A picture of this award can be seen at http://qtc.radio.org.pl/galeria/index.php?gallery=./Happy%20New%20Year%20PartyI=HNY.jpg [Tnx K1BV]

* RADIO ACTIVITY AWARD JANUARY 2006 - The rules for this award are quite simple. In the month of January 2006 work or hear as many stations from different DXCC-entities (radio countries) as possible. A minimum number of 20 DXCC entities is required for the award. Application by log extract. Deadline February 25, 2006. Award Fee: 5? or $US7 or 7 IRC to be sent to the address below: Fee for any Members of the Bavarian Radio Club are reduced by 1?, $US1 or 1 IRC. Send a log extract to: DE3EAR, Hans-J?rgen Schmelzer, P.O. Box 1204; 95634 Tirschenreuth, Germany. e-mail for questions: de3ear@u23.de [Tnx K1BV]

* New 50MHz award available. 200 DXCC on 50 MHz. Managed by the VERON award manager PC7CW. It will be numbered issues. Guess only very few able to obtain one now. Maybe more after the next cycle. See example here: http://www.pa2v.com/Award-demo.jpg [Tnx UKSMG]

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ANTARCTIC NEWS -

WAP SPECIAL EDITION Nr.19
Thanks to Gianluigi IZ8EWB and Egi IZ8BRI, WAP Special Edition Nr.19 is available to download. Click on the adress here below: http://www.ddxc.net/wap/special_ed.php to be directed to WAP S.E. archive. Select the arrow marked "Last" to visualize issue #19. Click on it to start the download of your zip file.

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I would like to take this time to wish everyone a Peaceful, Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year 2006!

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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Home of ICPO: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/
Mirror: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/
DX Calendar: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/dx_cal.html

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Canadian Checkpoint For:
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